

11. (New) A method of introducing a gene into a plant, comprising:

introducing the vector of Claim 1 into a plant.

12. (New) A method of expressing a gene in plants, comprising:

introducing the vector of Claim 1 into a plant, wherein the desired gene is expressed in the plant.

13. (New) A method of identifying plants which express a gene in a plant,

comprising:

introducing the vector of Claim 1 into plants, and

identifying at least one plant which expresses the desired gene by selecting plants which express the plant hormone signal transduction gene.--

#### SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENTS

The amendment to Claim 1 is supported by the specification at pages 7-46, especially at page 18, last paragraph. Newly added Claim 10 is supported by the specification at page 18, last paragraph. Newly added Claims 10-13 are supported by the specification at pages 7-46, especially pages 21-26. No new matter is believed to have been added to this application by these amendments.

#### REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are now pending. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The present invention relates to a vector for introducing a gene into a plant, which comprises:

a desired gene, wherein the desired gene is not a selectable marker gene, and

a plant hormone signal transduction gene as a selectable marker gene. See Claim 1.